

TWENTY-THIRD YEAR.

DECATUR, ILL. TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 1902.

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SWEPT BY FIRE

Business Section of Waterbury, Conn., Wiped Out in Ten Hours

THE SCOVILL HOUSE BURNS

Believed to be Work of an Incendiary—Loss is Placed at \$4,000,000

Waterbury, Conn., Feb. 3.—There is a very strong suspicion that the fire which completely destroyed the Scovill house was the work of incendiaries. The fire originated in the pool and billiard room in the basement. The room was locked and no one was supposed to be there. No fire was kept in the room, all the heat being supplied from boiler in another part of the building. The fire came so close on the heels of the big conflagration that thousands of spectators who witnessed it were thrown in a state of complete panic that the original fire caused. The flames had only begun to come out along Bank, Grand and South Main streets when the flames leaped upward as if by magic and people feared the city was doomed after all. The fire spread far into the day and was not extinguished entirely until evening.

The same about the city today is a little less panic-stricken than that of the previous evening. Thousands of people strolled around the big streets and with the greatest difficulty were restrained by the militia and police from venturing within the danger lines. A tangled network of wires on Bank and South Main street greatly hindered the work of extinguishing the last flames and clearing away the wreckage. A revised list of the losses and insurance is very difficult to obtain. Few know just what the loss was on their buildings and stock. It is believed that when the final figures are telegraphed, the amounting \$4,000,000 will not be far from the correct estimate.

NO LOSS OF LIFE.

A remarkable feature of the fire was the industry of the firemen, so far as known, of loss of life. Two men who were asleep in the Scovill house, reported missing, have been located. The rebuilding of the ruined structures is only a question of time. Temporary quarters have been secured by all firms. Many have already telegraphed for new stock and will resume immediately.

The American Publishing Company is among the heaviest losers. The building being entirely ruined, but the paper was issued in abbreviated form tonight.

There has been more or less disorder about the streets today, but the police were very active and the militia is of great service in handling the crowds. The streets were piled with household goods and strewn with small articles blown from windows. Some of this property was confiscated by passersby for the amount of the property was small compared with the opportunities offered for the confusion.

The number of injured was very small and in all but one or two cases the injuries are slight. The streets are fully being cleared.

BEGINNING OF THE FIRE.

The first fire, which started in the case of the Reid & Hughes Dry Goods Co., was not considered under control until nearly \$3,000,000 worth of property was destroyed.

Although the Waterbury fire department was reinforced from nearby cities it was for a time impossible to stay the progress of the flames.

Among the prominent buildings totally destroyed are Reid & Hughes Dry Goods Co., the Waterbury American, the Masonic Temple, the Scovill and Franklin houses, W. L. Douglas Shoe Co., the Johnson block, Salvation Army, St. James' home and scores of other buildings. In all, a hundred business houses were burned out.

During the night two companies of militia were called out and the city is gradually under martial law.

The primary city hall, churches and other public buildings have been turned into shelters for hundreds of homeless people.

The fire originated in the upholstery department on the third floor of the Reid & Hughes Dry Goods Co., at 108-112 Bank street, and that store, as well as many adjoining buildings, are smoldering embers.

The origin of the conflagration is not known. The fire was not discovered until it had gained tremendous headway. The first building to catch from the Reid & Hughes Co. store was a tall structure to the westward, occupied by the Salvation Army barracks and a Turkish bath. A moment or two later the flames leaped back to the eastward across Bank street and wiped out the Ryan and Fitzmaurice block, Cannon and Webster's drug store, Davis' cigar store and the store of J. B. Mullins & Sons.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Nominations of postmasters for Illinois: Carl Allard of Pearlston, Emory Griggs of Fairbury, William G. Bale of Lincoln.

ECHO OF KENNEDY'S CASE

Will Prince is on Trial at Kansas City.

Kansas City, Feb. 3.—The trial of Will Prince, one of the principals in the murder a year ago of Philip H. Kennedy, his brother-in-law, was begun today. Kennedy, who was soliciting agent for the Merchants Dispatch Transportation company, was shot and killed by John Prince-Kennedy, his wife of a month. Kennedy had brought suit to leave the marriage set aside, asserting that he had been compelled to marry the girl by her father and brothers, Bert and Will. On the day Kennedy's case was to have come up Mrs. Kennedy called him from his office and shot him. She was found guilty and sentenced to ten years in the penitentiary. Her father and brothers were charged with conspiring with her to kill Kennedy. Will Prince asked for a severance of the case and will be tried alone. His sister, who is out on bail awaiting a decision on an appeal or her case, will, it is said, testify in his behalf.

DECIDES FOR CENTRAL

United States Supreme Court Passes on Old Case

Washington, Feb. 3.—Justice Harlan of the United States supreme court today announced the conclusion of the case in the case of the state of Illinois vs. the Illinois Central railroad. It is a remnant of the old Chicago lake front case and involved the contention of the railroad that under its riparian right it should have the privilege of constructing docks and piers so as to reach the navigable waters. Both circuit courts in the northern district of Illinois and the circuit court of appeals held the company's right did not extend beyond the line of practicable navigability and they were therefore allowable. These are affirmed by today's opinion.

The supreme court also passed upon the motion to reopen the original question as to the ownership of submerged lands, declining to again consider that point.

HONDO MINE DISASTER

Eighty-Four Dead Bodies and Sixteen Mangled Men Taken Out

Engle Pass, Texas, Feb. 3.—Eighty-four bodies and sixteen men, barely alive, some horribly mangled, have been taken from the Hondo mines. The search for the bodies was stopped on account of the stretch, but disfigurements arrived this afternoon and the work will be resumed.

The shaft had 118 men enrolled and eighteen are still missing. Twenty-five dead mules have been taken from the shaft. The company has obtained all the physicians and nurses that can be secured from all points and is doing everything possible for any of the miners who may still be alive.

The scene at the opening of the mine is horrible. Wives, mothers and children of the dead and mangled were screaming and crying and refused to retire.

DISCRIMINATION CHARGED

Against Union Workmen at the Rock Island Arsenal

Washington, Feb. 3.—James O'Connell, president of the International Association of Machinists, and E. C. Barry of Rock Island, Ill., saw the president today and furnished affidavits tending to show the union machinists are discriminated against at the Rock Island arsenal. When the charges were originally made some time ago the president said he would state if the allegations were substantiated he would issue an order that would put a stop to such discriminations at Rock Island and elsewhere.

Found Frozen to Death

Oxford, Mich., Feb. 3.—The body of John Noanvany, a farm laborer, who has been missing for a week, was found frozen stiff under the ice in a ditch near Cole station. There are suspicions of foul play.

Republicans Caucus

Washington, Feb. 3.—The republican members of the house held a caucus tonight to consider the alleged disenfranchisement of voters in the south. Speaker Henderson, Representative Payne of New York, republican floor leader, and most of the leaders of the house, including about all the southern republicans, were present. The meeting lasted until 11 o'clock, but final action was postponed one week.

Morris Is Bankrupt

Detroit, Feb. 3.—Bernard G. Morris, who for twenty-five years has done business under the firm name of B. G. Morris & Co., dealers in wholesale hardware, has been declared a bankrupt.

Morris' liabilities are given at \$53,870; assets, \$41,090. Unprofitable investments are given as the causes for embarrassment.

TWO REPORTS

Made in the House on Proposed Reduction of War Revenue.

MINORITY WANTS IT GENERAL

Insists That There Should be a Revision All Along the Line.

Washington, Feb. 3.—Both the majority and minority reports were filed on the war revenue repeal bill today. The majority report says the probability of the early withdrawal of troops from Cuba and the reduction in the force in the Philippines will make further reduction possible and also reduces the condition of the treasury. "It cannot be denied a large surplus fund is temptingly open for extravagant expenditure. While congress may generally be relied upon to keep the national expenses within reasonable bounds, it should be relieved from the pressure which comes with plausible schemes, from every quarter, to raise an overflowing treasury."

WANT GENERAL REVISION.

The minority report approves the proposed reductions but asserts they should have been made long ago. It also advocates a general revision of tariff taxation with the retention of taxes on accumulated wealth. There is a general denunciation of the Dingley law as the "mother of trusts," and the report says it enables the manufacturers to charge a far greater price to home consumers than are received abroad for the same goods, which is characterized as "plain robbery."

"While approving the general policy of repealing the war taxes," says the minority, "we insist that certain taxes on accumulated wealth should be allowed to remain. We refer to such taxes as are imposed on sugar and petroleum refiners. A tax of one-fourth of one per cent on annual gross receipts of \$250,000 yields about a million dollars annually. This tax has been paid without demur or protest and there is no reason why the great combinations which monopolize these business and from which colossal individual fortunes have been built up should not pay some part of the national expenses as well as the masses of people who use and consume the various things which are subject to customs and internal revenue taxation. As the supreme court has denied congress the right to tax incomes for the support of the government, it is well to place accumulated wealth under some form of contribution and we know of none more just or equitable than a tax such as that imposed by the war revenue act on oil and sugar refiners."

CAUSE OF RICE'S DEATH

Is Now Occupying Attention of the Court

New York, Feb. 3.—The trial of Patrick for the murder of millionaire Rice today reached a stage where the exact cause of death was called in question. Dr. Donlin testified that when he performed an autopsy on Rice's body he found all his organs normal except there was a congestion of the lungs co-existent with these organs. Prof. Witthaus testified similarly also upon making a chemical analysis of Rice's organs and found more than three-quarters of a grain of mercury and that undoubtedly there had been a much larger quantity in the body before death. The defense tried to show this congestion might be caused by heart or kidney disease and the presence of mercury might have been caused by embalming fluid.

RAISE THE ROOF

Enthusiastic Reception Given to Schley at Nashville

Nashville, Feb. 3.—Admiral Schley's last day in Nashville closed with a brilliant reception at the Tabernacle this evening. It was the greatest demonstration ever seen in Nashville.

When the admiral and his party arrived a vast crowd arose to shout welcome, while the band played "Hail to the Chief," and as the party was seated the music changed to "Dixie" and the crowd fairly "reared the roof." After a number of speeches John T. Lelievre, on behalf of the Nashville council and Royal Arcanum, presented to the admiral the jewel of a past regent of the order.

In accepting Schley made a brief speech and at its close was given an ovation.

Strength of Militia

Washington, Feb. 3.—The abstract of returns of the adjutant-generals of the several states was sent to the senate today. It shows a total number of commissioned officers of militia is \$751, the total number of enlisted men 106,098. The number of men available for military duty unorganized is 10,845,268.

BEVERIDGE ANSWERS.

Senator Beveridge challenged Carmack's statement that the Philippine tariff had not been carefully considered. He declared the reason ex-Presi-

dent Cleveland, ex-President Harrison, ex-Senator Edmunds and all who had not been in sympathy with the Philippine policy of the administration decided to follow the democratic party was because that party would not accept the decisions of the supreme court and the verdict of the American people as final. He asserted the reasons why the "moderate, thoughtful and constructive people of the country" had not followed the democratic party in its opposition to the proper control of the Philippine islands in other matters of national policy was that they feared that the party would sow "dragons" in their path which would spring a harvest of anarchy. Another reason he said, was that the party was sending a note of retreat and "never in the history of the country had the American people retreated from any proposition fairly presented to them and they never would."

Senator Tillman of South Carolina took part in the debate in which he said, discussing the views of senators in the Philippines, he knew there "were plenty of officers there who feel they are doing dirty work."

During a colloquy with Mr. Beveridge Mr. Tillman brought into the discussion the alleged press conspiracy; the burning of the towns in the islands and the destruction of the South Carolina capital in 1865. Senator Beveridge, referring to the latter, declined to discuss "ancient history."

Senator Allison of Iowa said so far as he was concerned he had given the Philippine tariff the most careful consideration of which he was capable. He had gone over the schedules thoroughly and was satisfied the scale was as good, perhaps, as could be devised. He believed every member of the committee had done his duty in that regard.

After some incidental discussion by Mr. Foraker of Ohio, Mr. Teller of Colorado and Mr. Carmack the senate went into executive session and a few minutes later adjourned.

DIPLOMATS DENOUNCED

London Olchs Says a Mistake Has Been Made at Pekin

London, Feb. 3.—Commenting this afternoon on the reception Saturday last of the wives and children of the members of the diplomatic corps at Peking by the dowager empress, the Globe writes that the incident was humiliating to every European and American and expresses indignation at the fact the ministers "permitted their wives and children to be degraded by bowing to the infamous woman and receiving decorations from her blood-stained hands," adding:

"The necklace of the dowager empress, placed on Madame Conger, should be spurned as the gift of murderers chargeable with the torture and death of American Christian women. The ladies are not primarily to blame, but an unpardonable fault rests with the diplomats who allowed the cruel indignity."

"The ladies will be represented as having performed kowtow to the usurping tyrant and the day of regret will assuredly come."

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LIMIT WORD CONSPIRACY

Senator Hoar Reports Favorably on a Labor Bill

Washington, Feb. 3.—Senator Hoar, from the committee on judiciary, today reported favorably a bill to limit the meaning of the word "conspiracy," and the use of "restraining orders and injunctions," in certain cases. The bill provides that a combination to do an act or not to do it shall not be punishable more severely than the act itself, and that combinations of this character between employers and employees engaged in interstate commerce shall not be considered in restraint of trade or commerce. The bill is intended to aid in adjusting labor disputes on railroads.

DEBTOR AND CREDITOR

Court Holds That Broker Is Not a Trustee For Customer

St. Louis, Feb. 3.—In a case decided today in the case of the defunct brokerage firm of Gaylord & Blessing, by Judge Adams of the United States district court, the relation of broker and customer were shown to be those of debtor and creditor and the broker is not a trustee for the customer. The decision is considered one of the most important handed down in years in bankruptcy proceedings and will be received with interest by the business and legal world of the country.

Among the Rest

Among the rest of the applicants for the nomination of highway commissioner at the coming spring election is Josh Hubbard. Josh has been in the field for some time and expects to stay to the end.

DEATH ON THE SEA

Eastern Coast Swept by a Gale Blowing Fifty Miles an Hour.

MANY WRECKS REPORTED

Dead Bodies of Sailors Being Washed Ashore as Wind Abates

New York, Feb. 3.—The gale which has been sweeping the coasts of Long Island and New Jersey for more than twenty-four hours, and is continuing to-night though with abated force, brought death and disaster to the sailors and their craft. Reports of loss of life are confined to the eastern end of Long Island, whence comes the news of several bodies washed ashore. It was not known up to 10 o'clock tonight what vessels the men who lost their lives came from. Wreckage shows the shore in the vicinity of the Bellport, L. I., life saving station and one body came ashore east of this station. One large vessel was thrashing about this afternoon near Forge river station. The finding of two other bodies was reported later from the same point. The largest piece of wreckage is the afterquarter and a portion of the stern of a bark. On this last were the letters "O. L. E." The crew of the American merchantman Schlegel which went ashore on Long Beach and early today were in peril all day. The last reports tonight say that they are still on the stranded vessels though the danger of death has been lessened owing to the slight abatement of the storm.

Reports indicate the storm all over New York state one of the severest known for years. No trains have left Oswego since Sunday night and with the exception of two today from Syracuse none arrived. The storm still continues and the wind is blowing forty miles an hour.

The heavy snowstorm which began Sunday still rages through Hoosack valley and all trains are delayed.

SHIPS ASHORE

Along the Southern New Jersey Coast But None Lost

Philadelphia, Feb. 3.—The windstorm, which began yesterday afternoon and which reached a velocity of fifty miles an hour along the southern New Jersey coast and in the vicinity of Delaware bay, greatly diminished and tonight is blowing about twenty miles. Reports from the south Jersey coast and Delaware river points indicate that vessels exposed to the gale weathered the storm fairly well. Two vessels were ashore in Brigantine shoal, North Atlantic city, and two steamers are reported aground in Delaware bay, fifty miles below this city. The British steamer Claverdale, from Asiatic ports for New York, grounded on Brigantine shoal yesterday, is still fast.

The schooner Edith L. Allen, which went ashore during the night on the same shoal, is also fast in the sand. The British steamer Europe is reported aground in Delaware bay and the British steamer Drummond is fast in the mud in Delaware bay.

Talk on Oleo Bill

Washington, Feb. 3.—The house devoted today to general debate upon the oleomargarine bill. The opponents of the measure attempted to filibuster against it at the opening of the session, but were beaten by more than a two-thirds vote. The speakers today were Messrs. Henry of Connecticut, Haskins of Vermont and Graft of Illinois in favor of the measure and Messrs. Wadsworth of Texas and Clayton of Alabama in opposition. Those who antagonized the bill favored the adoption of the substitute designed to prevent the fraudulent sale of oleomargarine under the guise of butter.

The Senate's Increase

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WILD BILL KNOCKED OUT

Proved to be No Match For Frank Childs

Chicago, Feb. 3.—"Wild Bill" Hanrahan's aspirations to the heavyweight championship were quickly dispelled tonight by Frank Childs, the colored heavyweight, who knocked out the New Yorker after one minute of fighting in the fourth round of a six-round contest. Hanrahan was outclassed from the start, although at the commencement of the first round he landed a wild swing on Childs' head. Childs slipped from his balance, but was up in a second and sent Hanrahan to the floor with a stiff left to the jaw. Hanrahan remained down for the limit, but he had a shade the best of it in the exchange that followed. The second round was full of wild swings, neither man doing any damage. In the next round Childs began playing on Hanrahan's stomach and was more successful at this style of fighting. On several occasions he landed on the New Yorker's abdomen without return. As the round progressed Hanrahan became wilder than ever in his delivery and Childs tried for a knockout. He missed Hanrahan's jaw and the latter fell into a clinch. Frank was stronger and shook off Hanrahan with ease and reached his stomach with a right punch that made Hanrahan groan. When they came together in the fourth Childs continued to play for the stomach, easily avoiding Hanrahan's wild swing. After about a minute of fighting they got in a clinch and on the break-away Childs showed a straight left in Hanrahan's stomach. Then low doubled Hanrahan up and as his head doubled the colored man brought his right square on the jaw. Hanrahan fell flat on his back and after being counted out was carried to his corner where they worked over him for ten minutes before he was able to walk to his dressing room.

In the six-round bout Jimmy Hendry of Newark, N. J., lost the decision to Jack Beauschulte of Chicago.

JEFFRIES ANXIETY TO FIGHT

Fitzsimmons Disappears When He Learns Money Must Be Divided

New York, Feb. 3.—Expectations of an immediate match between Jeffries and Fitzsimmons were shattered today when Jeffries and Jim Kennedy acting for the Yosemite Athletic club of San Francisco talked matters over. Jeffries promptly refused to make a match on the terms already accepted by Fitzsimmons and there the matter rests for the present. Kennedy's offer which Fitzsimmons agreed to was in equal division of the gross receipts and the picture privileges between the fighters and the club, each to take one-third. Jeffries has communicated with Billy Delaney, his manager, who is now in San Francisco looking over the ground. Jeffries' future action regarding the match with Fitzsimmons will be largely guided by what Delaney may suggest.

FIRES

Parkersburg, W. Va., Feb. 3.—In a fire near Wise postoffice, Blanche, the infant daughter of Thompson Glover, was burned to death and two other children were perhaps fatally and Mrs. Glover seriously burned, while trying to escape from their homes.

Toledo, O., Feb. 3.—Fire in the Nebraska avenue school today caused a \$106 loss. The prompt action of the teachers prevented a loss of life among the pupils, who were at first panicked.

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TELLS OF ESCAPE

Mrs. Soffel Details Her Part in the Flight of the Biddles

A NIGHT OF SUFFERING

Followed by a Day of Terror—Her Recovery is Expected

Pittsburg, Feb. 3.—Mrs. Soffel made a statement tonight in which she detailed the story of the escape of the Biddles. She said she had no intention of going away with them, but on the night of escape Ed won her over and when they got out of prison and rushed into the library she went with them. They went in one direction and she in another, and all met at a friend's home but did not remain. "We secured a sleigh and drove through the country all night. The night was bitter cold. There was no robe in the sleigh and I suffered terribly. When daylight came I was nearly perished by cold.

"Next day brought us to a terrible scene. We drove through Butler and knew we had been suspected. We soon reached Mt. Chestnut, and getting something to eat started out again. I was feeling ill and was frightened. The boys learned the detectives were after us and they consulted about defending themselves. Ed said to Jack, 'It's a life for a life; let's shoot them down.'"

"The boys drove on. They were bewildered about the whereabouts of the detectives. They thought the Pittsburg detectives were behind them. When they saw them appear, Ed told Jack to get ready."

She then told the story of the fight substantially as already published. Mrs. Soffel says she learned Wednesday the cells were to be inspected and knowing the sawed bars in Biddle's cell would be discovered, they decided to escape that night. Though the woman is still very sick, her condition is not considered serious.

Jumped His Bond

Memphisee, Mich., Feb. 3.—Archib Freeman, who is out on \$5000 bonds, failed to appear to answer charges of forgery and embezzlement, brought by Baber & Watson, cedar dealers of Chicago, and his bondsmen forfeited the money. It is thought Freeman is in Mexico and a search will be made for him.

Helping Y. M. C. A.

Ottumwa, Ia., Feb. 3.—Governor Cummins was the guest of honor and the principal speaker at a banquet tonight, arranged by the Y. M. C. A., to raise funds for improvements on the association building. The affair was a brilliant success, two hundred and twenty-five prominent citizens of the state being in attendance.

SATURDAY NIGHT FIRE

It Was Bad Enough but Did Not Prevent Business Being Resumed Yesterday

The fire in the store of the Union Pacific tele store on Merchant street did damage to the amount of five hundred dollars but fortunately it was confined to the surplus stock and did not prevent business from being resumed yesterday morning. District Manager T. O. Morath came up from St. Louis on the morning train, but he did not know that there had been a fire until he got here.

The fire was discovered about 11:30 o'clock by H. Post, the jeweler, who was on his way home. The fire department did efficient work after reaching the store. It was a bad night to fight a fire on account of the extreme cold.

WILL BE OPENED TODAY

Bids for the Erection of First Group of University Buildings to be Considered

The bids for the erection of the first group of university buildings will be opened today.

Quite a number have been received, but it is likely that the board of control will reach a decision today. The task ahead of them is a large one. Architect Patton of Chicago came down on Monday to be present when the bids are opened.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Washington, Feb. 3.—The signal service predictions for Illinois are: Fair and colder Tuesday; Wednesday fair; fresh to brisk northwesterly winds.

LOCAL WEATHER.

The following is a record of the temperature for the twenty-four hours ended Monday evening at 7 o'clock as reported by Prof. J. H. Conrad, government observer:

T. a. m., . . . 7 below Highest .14 above
N. m. . . . 10 above Lowest .12 below
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It has got now to the ordinary man can afford to eat eggs.

The Herald deprecates the spirit of levity manifested over the court proceedings of the past week. It certainly is a serious matter.

When Hawley's trip is over there won't be any use for Prince Henry to come. There won't be enough hospitality left for the German prince.

When England looks at the vast expense incident to the alleged subjugation of the Boers she is likely to agree with General Smuts in his contention of war.

England is facing a bill of more than \$600,000,000 for the expenses of whipping a few thousand Boers in South Africa. Pretty expensive fun or glory if so regarded.

The Chicago Tribune consoles itself by saying that "yesterday was a bad day for two of Chicago's venerable institutions," presumably referring to Deane and Streeter.

The best explanation of the fog Friday morning was given by a bystander at the court house on Saturday. It "fogged" it was the smoke from the battle in progress in the circuit court last week.

There can be only one explanation of the conduct of the woman who deserted her husband and children and eloped with the condemned murderer Biddle that she enabled to escape. She was crazy.

Prof. Charles W. Pearson says he is willing to sacrifice himself in a heroic deed to show how "liberal" the Methodist church is. He says he will resign from the Northwestern university and from the church if he is asked to do so. This is indeed liberal.

The sentiment for Cuban independence is growing rapidly. It is both just and generous and at the same time a good business proposition. The United States will sell more of its chief products, meat and grain. The mere handling of beef and cane sugar growers cannot be allowed to stand in the way of so desirable an arrangement.

The libel case goes over to be completed next week. Rarely has a case attracted such widespread interest. The Herald's publication of the testimony in full has enabled all the people of Macon county to keep fully informed concerning matters of political significance. The Herald has not sought to create sentiment and has therefore refrained from comment, being content to let the sworn testimony speak for itself.

DOWIE'S DOWNFALL.

At last it begins to look as though John Alexander Dowie were to be stopped in his wild career of fraud and deceit. Judge Tuttle has written him in his true colors in an able opinion given on Friday. He holds that this modern Elijah has imposed upon his brother-in-law, Samuel Stevenson, and thereby acquired his business and property. Judge Tuttle appointed a receiver for Zion's lace business. He also held that Dowie should make restitution to the man he had defrauded. The following is a summary of one of the chief decisions rendered by one of Chicago's ablest jurists:

First—All contracts between Dowie and Stevenson, except the first, signed on April 12, 1900, are declared null and void because of the undue influence used to obtain them.

Second—The Zion lace industries are declared to have only three legal assets—"The credibility of human nature, the credulity or aversion of the investors and the blind confidence in Dowie," and on this account Elmer Washburn is appointed receiver to take charge on Monday.

Third—Dowie will have to carry out the agreement of April 12, 1900, which makes the Zion lace industries an incorporation and gave to Samuel Stevenson his \$100,000 of first preferred stock.

and the \$500,000 of first preferred stock that belonged to Mary Ann Stevenson. He will further have to pay into the treasury of that corporation the \$501,000 which he should have paid when he assumed that amount of stock in the corporation.

Fourth—Dowie's methods are against public policy, his sale of stock borders on the use of "false pretenses."

Fifth—The court grants leave to Samuel Stevenson to become co-complainant as executor of his wife's estate and bring into the suit the other stockholders of the industries.

Sixth—The court grants Samuel Stevenson, through his attorney, Edwy L. Reeves, the privilege of filing an amended bill.

ADVERTISING FAKES.

The Springfield Journal is raising its voice against the numerous schemes adopted to make business men pay the expenses of all kinds and classes of society, church and other enterprises. It is correct in its position. The following is from its vigorous and well-timed editorial:

"The several years the rebellion of merchants has been growing against irregular terms of advertisements and subscriptions forced upon them by charitable and personal influences. It is spreading over all the country and seldom a day passes without some report of fiscal protest in some section of the United States. The merchants of Peoria are the latest to take up the subject with the view of abolishing the annoyances and they seem very much in earnest. They have had meetings to discuss the evils against which they complain and have resolved to stand together as a unit in refusing to disseminate any more funds in such channels."

"In Springfield the retail merchants are not the only sufferers, although they are the chief ones who feel they are imposed upon by canvassers for entertainments of various kinds. They have not organized a rebellion, but they would need little encouragement to do so. Their feelings have been outraged time out of mind by customers and others presuming upon their good nature and liberality. As the evil seems to be growing rather than diminishing, the reform movement may strike this city in the near future."

"In many localities the revenue raising methods referred to have been denounced bitterly by merchants, who do not hesitate to brand them as polite forms of blackmailing schemes. Locally there have been many similar instances, but the protests have been expressed privately. Many an ear would tingle and many a cheek would redden with shame if solicitors for such patronage could hear the sentiments expressed by merchants in regard to the transactions after having been 'held up' in a manner it would not be wise to repeat. The plan of concerted action seems to afford the only possible remedy and it may be brought about in this city before long, just as it has been in so many other places."

Prof. Pearson, he of the Northwestern university, who has a grudge against the Bible, refuses to be silent. He says as long as the editors talk he intends to talk back. Pretty soon he will talk himself into private life and then no one will care what he says or thinks. The only importance or respectability now attached to his utterances is from the fact of his connection with this great Methodist school.

A gentleman from Iowa asks his congressman for the Congressional Record containing obituaries. He closes his appeal by saying that "there is nothing I read with so much pleasure as obituaries of dead congressmen." There are some people denied the pleasure alluded to because the occasion for the obituary has not yet arisen.

The responsibility of the St. Nicholas hotel is of much consequence to Decatur. No matter how good the other hotels may be the old Saint Nick is needed to round out the road needs of Decatur and the hotel public. Mr. Lantz will find a hearty welcome back in the line of host.

Judge Vail wisely foresaw the length of the Foster-Herald case and discharged the jury not trying the case. Thereby the county is saved the needless expense of holding a full panel here all the week doing nothing.

Some states would be better off if they were like Delaware. They can't all keep their Addickses out of the senate. South Carolina for example, Ben Tillman is still there.

Sponser's canal bill seems to fill the bill.

Wanted—To know what has become of John P. Altgeld?

It is about time for Addicks to break out again in Delaware.

It is now Secretary Shaw and ex-Secretary Gage.

Schley will probably know what Katschman means when he gets home from Chicago and Kentucky.

Good-bye, January. We shall welcome your advent a year hence with sounding of whistles and the clanging of bells.

The Chism murder trial at Bloomington is about at an end after a month's siege. It will prove to be one of the most notable murder cases of the state. It will be remembered that Chism killed his wife with a baseball bat.

Those who oppose any tariff concessions by reciprocity or otherwise favor the repeal of all the internal revenue taxes levied in aid of the war with Spain. The house ways and means committee will present a bill to remove all war taxes.

Miss Halsey, who led and won the school teachers' fight to tax corporations is getting somewhat "flustered" with her successes. She is quoted as talking about bullets and afterwards bullets. She should take a nerve tonic and a little rest. Then she would feel less warlike and be willing to follow her own excellent example in working great reforms by the peaceful assistance of the courts.

An exchange tells the following story: Some one was telling a western senator that in his opinion President Roosevelt was perhaps better fitted for the routine work of the white house than any of our other recent presidents, for he knows the clerical and personal side of the government as few other men know it. "I should say he did," replied the senator. "The other day I went up to ask him to appoint a United States marshal out of my state. I had no sooner mentioned the official's name than the president broke in: 'So that infernal scoundrel is still in office, is he? I remember him in the days when I was in the civil service commission.' And that is as far as I got with my errand," added the senator sadly. "There is such a thing as having a president who knows too much."

It is said that during the past thirty-two years there has not been a congress which did not contain at least one negro member. The present congress breaks the record and has not one colored man in it. There have been as many as eight at one time. But the number has gradually dwindled down until the last two or three sessions have had but a single colored member and now he has retired and the whites have solid sway. The advice of Booker T. Washington that the negro should give more attention to business and less to politics may have been the controlling cause of eliminating him from the halls of national legislation, but at any rate the elimination seems to have been pretty effective. As matters stand the black man will have to look to northern consoling for political preferment and it must be confessed that the outlook is not especially encouraging for him in that direction. However, as the race progresses and as the disposition strengthens among the people to elect men to represent them on their merits as citizens and not on their race or nationality, it may be reasonably expected that the colored brother will in time reap his share in halls where he appears now to have been excluded.

JUSTICE COURTS.

R. F. McKay sued Fred Lyons before Justice Provest Saturday to recover damages for the alleged misrepresentation of a cow which he bought of Lyons in November. He estimated his damage at \$10 and Justice Provest gave judgment in his favor for \$30 and costs. McKay gave a note for \$20 for the cow on the representation that she was a good cow and gave a certain amount of milk. The cow failed to live up to her description and as the note had been transferred, McKay wanted damages for his trouble in the matter. The defense offered no testimony but prayed an appeal.

Three tramps whom the police wish to investigate were vagged before the same justice and given ten days each.

Charles Jones sued a horse to John W. Chewoweth last summer for \$60 and took his note for the amount. When the note came due Chewoweth failed to pay and Jones sued on the note. Saturday they appeared with their attorneys before Justice Smith to fight the case. Chewoweth claimed that Jones warranted the horse to be sound and that he was not so. Jones denied that he had warranted the animal and after arguing the case all afternoon, they finally agreed on a compromise by which Chewoweth is to pay \$15 and the costs of the suit.

Joseph Rucker was fined \$3 and costs for assaulting Roy Ladd.

Bert Wheeler, the man with money, who was picked up drunk by the police Friday, was fined \$4.80 by Justice O'Mara yesterday.

BIDDLES DEAD

Jack Met the End, Saying He Was a Christian and Innocent.

MRS. SOFFEL MAY SURVIVE

Greatest Danger is From Pneumonia Which is Now Threatening

Butler, Pa., Feb. 1.—At the close of a day of intense excitement and the many conflicting stories concerning the chances for life of the wounded Biddle brothers and Mrs. Kate Soffel the unexpected happened. John Biddle, who, until late this afternoon, was considered the more likely of the brothers to escape present death, succumbed this evening. The condition of Edward Biddle is extremely precarious, his death at any moment would cause no surprise. Mrs. Soffel developed symptoms of pneumonia this afternoon, after having come safely through an operation this morning for the extraction of the bullet. She is the only one of the trio who has any chance of living. The death of Biddle was caused by the bullet wounds in the abdomen and bladder. Early in the day physicians thought that peritonitis was the principal danger in the case, but tonight internal hemorrhage set in and the man bled to death in a short while.

BOASTFUL TO END.
As long as he was able "Jack" was extremely talkative and at times boastful. But as soon as the shadow of death began to fall upon him and he recognized it, he became repentant. "I am a Christian," said he, "and will die with a sincere belief in God. I have taken a part in many wrong deeds, but never killed any man and was never implicated with any one who did. If I could see Mrs. Kahney I would tell her the truth about the killing of her husband. Life has been pretty tough to me and the end cannot come too quick."

District Attorney Henninger stated tonight that it was the intention to turn the men over to the Allegheny authorities as soon as they are in condition to be moved with safety and the same action will be taken with reference to Mrs. Soffel.

District Attorney Haymaker of Allegheny county said this evening there would be no decision made as to the prize money until the claims of the Butler people had been heard and the latter will take steps to notify the commissions of Allegheny county of their claim.

LETTER FOUND.
One of the sensational developments of the day which the authorities tried to keep secret was the finding on the person of Mrs. Soffel, when searched at the hospital, of a long letter from "Ed" Biddle, setting forth in detail the plan for the escape of the brothers from the jail, naming their destination afterwards, etc.

WOMAN'S INFATUATION.
The letter clearly shows the hazardous undertakings of the infatuated woman to secure the escape of the Biddles. Since December 2, 1901, they had been making preparations to escape. The letter tells how Mrs. Soffel carried saws to the cells of the Biddles. It manifests the extreme arrangement of Mrs. Soffel for the murder and burglary and clearly shows the wonderful influence that Edward Biddle had over Mrs. Soffel.

Mrs. Soffel fell in love with Ed Biddle in November. The burglar soon realized his power over her. It was not long until he started to write love letters to her. His affection was reciprocated. Mrs. Soffel fell madly in love with Ed about the early part of December and he proposed a plan of escape to her. She consented to lend him her aid. Between December 14th and 16th they completed all the arrangements to escape from the jail. Then they learned of the governor's respite. After this Ed almost persuaded Mrs. Soffel to fly with him and his brother. The contents of the letter show it was originally agreed that Mrs. Soffel was to leave the city for Canada on the eve of the boys' escape.

FIGHT FOR BODIES.
In spite of the amicable agreement concerning the disposition of the prisoners entered into today by the district attorneys of Butler and Allegheny counties the quarrel broke out afresh tonight. When Detectives Rouch and Swinehart of Pittsburgh, who had been appointed by District Attorney Haymaker to represent Allegheny county, heard of the approaching death of Jack Biddle they hastened to the jail but were refused admission by Sheriff Hoen. The latter said the two men were dying and no person would be admitted. The Pittsburgh officers claimed the right under the agreement, but the sheriff was obstinate. Rouch and Swinehart were forced to retire.

Haymaker thinks the trouble will vanish quickly when the objecting officials learn that the \$5,000 reward offered by Allegheny county was for the delivery of the bodies of the Biddles dead or alive into the possession of the county commissioners. Should the Butler county officials succeed in retaining possession of the prisoners they could not share in the reward because the condition has not been fulfilled.

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NOT IN A HURRY

Tax-Payers are Slow—Forget an Advantage Held by Decatur Township

Collector Allen says that the taxpayers are slow in making settlement and that thus far in his campaign they have not been making any decided rush to get their receipts. Some persons seem to think that they have time without limit in which to make their settlement with the collector. Under the law the personal taxes are due the day the collector gets his books.

Tax collectors are allowed 2 per cent on the money they collect with a limit of \$1500. When their commissions amount to more than that sum the excess is paid into the township treasury. If the taxes are permitted to go unpaid until the claim is in the hands of the county collector, that officer gets the 2 per cent and it is paid into the general fund of the county. The people of Decatur township could, in a few years, put their township treasury in such shape that there would be no necessity for taxes for township purposes. This could be done by paying their taxes at the collector's office. The commissions would amount to three times his salary and the excess would go into the township treasury, to supply which the rate of taxation is now 13 cents on the \$100. Every man who knows the assessed value of his property can easily figure how much would be saved to him individually if all persons paid their taxes to the collector.

Deeds Recorded.

Eliza J. McCoy to David and Margaret McKinney, lots 14 and 15 in block 11 in Blue Mound; \$1.
Eliza J. McCoy to David and Margaret McKinney, the north half of the northeast quarter and lots 1 and 2 in the northeast quarter of section 31, township 15, range 1 east; \$1.
Robert McCune to Orval Siamat, 10 acres in the northeast quarter of section 22, township 16, range 3 east, and 30 acres in the east half of the southeast quarter of section 22, township 16, range 3 east; \$300.
Martha P. Ward to Frank Brown, lots 5 and 6 in block 6 in Smith's addition to Forsyth; \$250.
Joseph M. Jenkins to W. H. Snyder, lot 5 in Williams' subdivision of block 1 in Glick's addition to Decatur; \$1200.
Charles L. Hanks to James L. Kenton, lot 7 in block 3 in Forsyth; \$400.
Barbara K. Bark to Patsy Barnes, lot 5 in block 2 in Hammond's addition to Decatur; \$200.
F. W. Elm et al. to C. H. Temple, a tract 120x30 feet north of North Park addition to Decatur; \$1000.
Hattie F. Hoskins to Sophia Wise, lot 6 in block 4 in Galling's addition to Decatur; \$4500.
W. R. Diagonal to G. W. Farman, lot 20 in block 4 in Brock's addition to Decatur, except a tract 20x50 feet on the northeast corner of said lot; \$1.

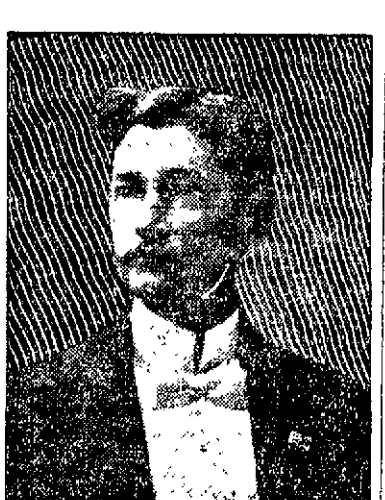
School Work

Sixteen young men and women took the regular February examinations for teachers' certificates at the superintendent's office Saturday.
The central examinations will begin this week in the county schools and will be held as follows: Feb. 3rd, at Ocean Grove; 4th at Walker; 5th at Macon; 6th at Elwin; and 7th at Mt. Zion.

Blue Grass Quits

J. R. McLean, who has for many years conducted the Blue Grass shop on East Main street, has sold his business and will go to Oklahoma. He sold a half interest in the business to W. D. Poltz last summer and the last half was bought by G. H. Jenkins. The firm will hereafter be Poltz & Jenkins.

Mrs. Lodge is quite ill at her home on Prairie avenue.



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Heavy Fall

A man named Daily fell on Water street last night and struck his head on an iron post. He cut a gash just above his right eye. He was taken to the county dispensary where his hurts were cared for.

EXECUTOR'S SALE

The undersigned, executor of the Estate of W. T. Moffett, deceased, will sell at public sale of his late residence, 4 1/2 miles northwest of Boley, on

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 7.

the following property:

14 head of horses, consisting of 2 standard bred fillies, 1 standard bred mare, 7 work horses and mares; the balance are young, ranging from yearlings to colts.

Four mules, consisting of 1 span work mules, 1 three-year-old male, and 1 yearling.

60 head of cattle, consisting of a good registered yearling Polled Angus Bull, 7 cows, 4 heifer calves, 1 yearling and 2 two-year-old heifers; 45 good 2-year-old steers. All of the cattle excepting two or three are cows and a grade of the three best breeds.

50 head of hogs, consisting of about 25 thrifty winter pigs, 5 or 6 brood sows, 2 thoroughbred Poland China Boars; the balance are good feeders.

The farming implements consist of 3 wagons, 1 breaking cart, 1 carriage, 1 spring wagon, 5 cultivators, 1 corn planter, 2 Casaday gang plows nearly new, 1 walking beam plow, harrow, ten mill, garden combination tool and other implements; 5 sets of work harness, 1 complete harness; one-half interest in select heavy outfit consisting of 2 mowers, 1 side delivery rake, 1 hay load (new), 3 hay frames, one-half interest in Deering binder, and other articles too numerous to mention.

About 6000 feet of new lumber. About 30 tons of good clover hay in barn and 10 stacks clover hay.

TERMS OF SALE.

All sums of \$10.00 and under, cash in hand. All sums over \$10.00 will be given a credit of 14 months, purchaser giving note with approved security before removing property.

E. R. MOFFETT, Executor.
J. T. Ward, Auctioneer. 21-22

Constable Be Shot and ACT WAS NOT

Martin Had Read to Hawley Who to Subm

THE MOB LACKED

One of the oldest law ever committed a sin occurred at Moweaqua on Monday at 3:35. The Martin, the village constable, was shot and killed by W. I. Hawley.

Hawley has been a liquor illegally a Saturday was issued for a warrant to the restaurant and to Hawley. There were some subpoenas served on the witnesses in connection with the case. Hawley came to trial. He left the after serving the witness to the restaurant. Main that the was under arrest before the magistrate.

HAWLEY DEFENDS
There were no words, Hawley said that he would Martin did not talk about the case but started to shoot his man. When he got to the counter, Hawley grabbed a barrel shotgun and fired and the

CONSTABLE FIRED or practically so for a few moments. The mob by a distance of not more than a few feet when the gun barrels were loaded and in such rapid succession near could not tell if it was two reports. Hawley knew that he had been shot.

HAWLEY WANTED There were two or three restaurants when the shot and they were two more. After a few went out of his store and went to a drug store and called on a neighbor, whom he knew, whom he knew. While over the telephone, a village president went to him Hawley's lawyer.

Hawley was taken K. H. Donnell and charge of murder. He was fined for the people. The examination was held to await the action of Will Morris and Olin deputed to deliver the trial and in Sheriff will their prisoner for the clock, but he is now after the crime had been committed.

MOR FOLLOWS
There has been no word so stirred the people. The killing was so unexpected that they were surprised. The cooler heads thought see what was coming to get Hawley to the that reason or argued that him out of town. On the way to the and their prisoner nearly every man and were a number of followers. They followed many threats. It was clear that the only man who could get the man who had killed and the prisoner got attempt at lynching.

BODY RAN AWAY
While Hawley was body of his victim was charged of the constable and the back of his head. The lower so close after a full wound it appeared to have been a fatal wound. The charge of shot. Except of Hawley it probably been known that both discharged.

HAWLEY'S SHOOTING
Hawley did not get a shooting. When he did that he was a fight, one was a fight. The counter of his name, Martin did not make a weapon or a sentence. He merely said counter and he only did when Hawley's name was called.

A B-O-T-L
The Moweaqua lawyer was a local lawyer. A minor. Three years keeper. When the Hawley opened a small hand-made store and that to person he openly sold liquor. He was a selling liquor. It is

furniture.

The wall paper and art department will be moved to the present picture department and the stove department will be brought from the basement to the main floor.

The growth of this company has been the result of business push and enterprise. Mr. Seovill began business in a modest way here years ago and has gradually expanded until the company with the added room will have one of the biggest stores not only in Decatur but in central Illinois.

Mr. Guy Seovill has recently returned from a purchasing tour, during which he brought an elegant line of new furniture. He says it is the finest that has ever been brought to Decatur. Accompanied by his father he will leave in a few days for the larger cities for an inspection of the biggest furniture houses of the country, with a view to securing any new ideas possible for the coming big store. The firm promises to Decatur something to which the city can point with pride.

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GROVES-COOPER.

George V. Groves and Miss Nola V. Cooper were married at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. George V. Cooper, two and a half miles south-east of Macon on Wednesday evening. The marriage ceremony was performed by the Rev. N. S. Madden, pastor of the Argentine and Episcopal chapel. M. E. churches at McLeck, and was witnessed by about fifty of the relatives and friends of the two families. Lubongin's wedding march was played by Miss Lucy Jones. The bride's gown was of mauve colored honiton, cut on train and trimmed in point lace and white satin. Her ornaments were bride's roses. Following the ceremony and hearty congratulations a bountiful and elegant wedding dinner was served. The bride is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George V. Cooper. The groom is a son of George Groves, and the couple will go to house-keeping on one of his father's farms in Friends Creek township—Macon News.

WITH THE SICK.

Little Freta Aholtz is ill with pneumonia at her home on North Main street.

Homer Garvor, the son of J. J. Garvor, is very sick with malarial rheumatism.


Mrs. Jack Hays, who was injured Friday at her home north of Decatur, is in a serious condition.

Harry A. Griffin is seriously ill at his home on West Decatur street.

Ed Osborne, who was taken a few days ago to St. Mary's hospital, suffering with typhoid fever, is getting along nicely.

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